

CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator: Jennifer Smith	Team: Squad #7	CCRB Case #: 201806915	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Force	<input type="checkbox"/> Discourt.	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S.
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/> O.L.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Injury
Incident Date(s) Thursday, 08/09/2018 2:00 PM	Location of Incident: § 87(2)(b)	Precinct: 75	18 Mo. SOL 2/9/2020	EO SOL 2/9/2020	
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Complainant/Victim	Type	Home Address
§ 87(2)(b)	§ 87(2)(b)	§ 87(2)(b)

Subject Officer(s)	Shield	TaxID	Command
1. POM Bernard Corso	25275	946460	WARRSEC
2. DT3 Jonathan Bulzomi	6583	948711	WARRSEC
3. DT3 Herold Alexis	01779	924876	WARRSEC

Witness Officer(s)	Shield No	Tax No	Cmd Name
1. DT3 Peter Colombini	7093	938250	075 DET

Officer(s)	Allegation	Investigator Recommendation
A.DT3 Jonathan Bulzomi	Abuse: Detective Jonathan Bulzomi entered § 87(2)(b) in Brooklyn.	§ 87(2)(b)
B.POM Bernard Corso	Abuse: Police Officer Bernard Corso entered § 87(2)(b) in Brooklyn.	§ 87(2)(b)
C.DT3 Herold Alexis	Abuse: Detective Herold Alexis entered § 87(2)(b) in Brooklyn.	§ 87(2)(b)
D.DT3 Jonathan Bulzomi	Force: Detective Jonathan Bulzomi used physical force against § 87(2)(b)	§ 87(2)(b)
E.POM Bernard Corso	Force: Police Officer Bernard Corso used physical force against § 87(2)(b)	§ 87(2)(b)
F.DT3 Herold Alexis	Force: Detective Herold Alexis used physical force against § 87(2)(b)	§ 87(2)(b)
G.DT3 Jonathan Bulzomi	Force: Detective Jonathan Bulzomi restricted § 87(2)(b)'s breathing.	§ 87(2)(b)
H.POM Bernard Corso	Force: Police Officer Bernard Corso restricted § 87(2)(b)'s breathing.	§ 87(2)(b)
I.DT3 Herold Alexis	Force: Detective Herold Alexis restricted § 87(2)(b)'s breathing.	§ 87(2)(b)

Case Summary

On August 10, 2018, Sergeant Freddy Cantillo, of the 75th Precinct, called the IAB Command Center and reported this incident.

On August 9, 2018, at approximately 2:00 p.m., Detective Jonathan Bulzomi, Police Officer Bernard Corso, and Detective Herold Alexis, of the Brooklyn North Warrant Squad (580), arrested § 87(2)(b) at his apartment located at § 87(2)(b) in Brooklyn, pursuant to two open I-Cards for his arrest. Det. Bulzomi, PO Corso, and Det. Alexis allegedly kicked § 87(2)(b)'s apartment door down (**Allegations A, B, and C: Abuse of Authority, § 87(2)(g)**). Det. Bulzomi, PO Corso, and Det. Alexis allegedly jumped on top of § 87(2)(b) (**Allegations D, E, and F: Force, § 87(2)(g)**) and laid on top of him, restricting his breathing (**Allegations G, H, and I: Force, § 87(2)(g)**). Detective Peter Colombini, of the 75th Precinct Detective Squad (296), processed § 87(2)(b)'s arrest. § 87(2)(b) was charged with § 87(2)(b).

There is no video evidence in this case.

Findings and Recommendations

Allegation A – Abuse of Authority: Detective Jonathan Bulzomi entered § 87(2)(b), in Brooklyn.

Allegation B – Abuse of Authority: Police Officer Bernard Corso entered § 87(2)(b), in Brooklyn.

Allegation C – Abuse of Authority: Detective Herold Alexis entered § 87(2)(b), in Brooklyn.

Allegation D – Force: Detective Jonathan Bulzomi used physical force against § 87(2)(b)

Allegation E – Force: Police Officer Bernard Corso used physical force against § 87(2)(b)

Allegation F – Force: Detective Herold Alexis used physical force against § 87(2)(b)

Allegation G – Force: Detective Jonathan Bulzomi restricted § 87(2)(b)'s breathing.

Allegation H – Force: Police Officer Bernard Corso restricted § 87(2)(b)'s breathing.

Allegation I – Force: Detective Herold Alexis restricted § 87(2)(b)'s breathing.

It is undisputed that § 87(2)(b) had two open I-Cards for his arrest, for the same crime - § 87(2)(b) (09 Board Review).

§ 87(2)(b) (01 Board Review) said he was inside of his apartment and walked by his apartment front door when Det. Bulzomi, PO Corso, and Det. Alexis kicked his door down. The door hit § 87(2)(b) causing him to fall to the floor, and his head to bleed. The officers jumped on top of § 87(2)(b) and laid on top of him for approximately one to two minutes, restricting his breathing, though he did not tell the officers that he could not breathe. The officers handcuffed § 87(2)(b) and transported him to the 75th Precinct stationhouse. After Det. Colombini processed § 87(2)(b)'s arrest, he complained of head and neck pain. § 87(2)(b) was transported to § 87(2)(b), where he said he was diagnosed with no injuries and he was released. § 87(2)(b)'s arrest photograph depicts no injuries (10 Board Review).

Det. Bulzomi (02 Board Review) said that he was the assigned investigator handling § 87(2)(b)'s I-Cards and the related criminal complaints. The morning of the incident, Det. Bulzomi received a call from one of § 87(2)(b)'s complainants, § 87(2)(b), who lived in the same apartment building as § 87(2)(b). § 87(2)(b) reported that § 87(2)(b) was home and inside of his

apartment, at their apartment building. The apartment building is a house where the residents have individual bedrooms that serve as apartments (with their own locked doors), but there is a shared living space on each floor. Det. Bulzomi drove to the location with PO Corso and Det. Alexis. The officers waited outside in their unmarked van for § 87(2)(b) to come outside. Approximately one hour later, § 87(2)(b) exited his apartment building and took out his garbage. The officers approached § 87(2)(b) on foot, and identified themselves to him as police. § 87(2)(b) looked at Det. Bulzomi, turned around, ran back inside of his apartment building, and slammed the front door of the building behind him (which was a basic door made of either wood or vinyl). PO Corso and Det. Bulzomi ran after § 87(2)(b) in hot pursuit, but § 87(2)(b) locked the front door of the building behind him. PO Corso used his shoulder to forcibly open the door. Det. Bulzomi learned after the fact that Det. Alexis had at that point run to the back of the building in case § 87(2)(b) tried to escape from the rear. Det. Bulzomi and PO Corso entered the building, and § 87(2)(b)'s apartment was directly to the left of the building's front door. § 87(2)(b) was sitting on his bed, which was directly next to his apartment door, and his apartment door was half open. § 87(2)(b) stared in shock at the officers. PO Corso put his foot in § 87(2)(b)'s doorway so that § 87(2)(b) would not shut his door. PO Corso reached past the door, grabbed § 87(2)(b)'s wrist, and informed him that the officers had an I-Card for his arrest. § 87(2)(b) immediately stood up, walked into the hallway, and was compliant with the officers. PO Corso and Det. Bulzomi never entered § 87(2)(b)'s apartment or used force against him. PO Corso and Det. Bulzomi handcuffed § 87(2)(b) and escorted him to the 75th Precinct stationhouse with Det. Alexis. Det. Bulzomi learned later that night that § 87(2)(b) alleged that force was used during his apprehension. § 87(2)(b) never complained that force was used against him during the incident, and he never complained of being injured. § 87(2)(b) only complained that the officers broke his building's front door. § 87(2)(b) was compliant during the entire incident other than initially running from the officers.

PO Corso's statement (03 Board Review) was generally consistent with Det. Bulzomi's statement. PO Corso said that when § 87(2)(b) called Det. Bulzomi, she also told Det. Bulzomi that § 87(2)(b) was known to flee from officers out of the rear of his building. The officers never saw § 87(2)(b) during this incident.

Det. Alexis' statement (04 Board Review) was consistent with Det. Bulzomi's statement in that after § 87(2)(b) ran from the officers, Det. Alexis made his way to the back of the building to safeguard it. Less than five minutes later, Det. Alexis walked back to the front of the building and observed the front door to be open. Det. Bulzomi and PO Corso were standing with § 87(2)(b) handcuffed, in the hallway outside of his apartment door. Det. Alexis never learned of the officers having forcibly entered § 87(2)(b)'s apartment or of the officers having used force against § 87(2)(b). Det. Alexis never observed § 87(2)(b) to be injured, and he did not know why he was ultimately transported to the hospital. After the incident, Det. Bulzomi and PO Corso told Det. Alexis that they had forced entry into the apartment building to apprehend § 87(2)(b).

Det. Colombini (05 Board Review) said he only had a 30 second interaction with § 87(2)(b) before processing his arrest paperwork at the 75th Precinct stationhouse. Det. Colombini told § 87(2)(b) why he was arrested, and how long his arrest processing would take. § 87(2)(b) never complained of being injured, and Det. Colombini did not observe him to be injured. § 87(2)(b) never complained that force was used against him, and Det. Colombini was never made aware of any force being used against § 87(2)(b) during his apprehension. Det. Colombini processed two arrest reports for § 87(2)(b) in which § 87(2)(b) was charged with § 87(2)(b), in both reports (11 Board Review). The details of both arrest

reports note that § 87(2)(b) displayed a knife and threatened the civilian, causing her immediate fear for her life.

The only TRI report prepared regarding this incident was one prepared by Sgt. Cantillo, the 75th Precinct desk officer (06 Board Review). He reported that unidentified officers allegedly used force against § 87(2)(b) during his apprehension.

§ 87(2)(g)

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Civilian and Officer CCRB Histories

- § 87(2)(b) has been a party to three CCRB complaints and has been named as a victim in six allegations (07 Board Review).
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- Det. Bulzomi has been a member-of-service for eight years and has been a subject in two CCRB complaints and six allegations, none of which were substantiated. § 87(2)(g)
- PO Corso has been a member-of-service for 11 years and has been a subject in six CCRB complaints and 10 allegations, of which one was substantiated. § 87(2)(g)
 - Case 201204761 involved a substantiated allegation of discourtesy (word). The Board recommended instructions, and the NYPD imposed instructions.
- Det. Alexis has been a member-of-service for 19 years and has been a subject in three CCRB complaints and three allegations, none of which were substantiated. § 87(2)(g)

Mediation, Civil and Criminal Histories

- This case was not suitable for mediation.
- On March 22, 2019, a Notice of Claim request was sent to the NYC Comptroller's Office and it remains pending.

- § 87(2)(b) [REDACTED]
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